(c) whether the Government have considered the suggestion made during the last budget debate on the veterinary demand in regard to the advisability of distributing breeding bulls at the various veterinary institutions in the province?

A.—(a) (i) 311 cows and heifers,
(ii) 123 bulls, and
(iii) 118 calves; in all 552.
(b) 16 breeding bulls.
(c) Yes. Bulls are sent to those veterinary institutions where there is a demand for them.

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"Have the Government considered the proposal made by the Bapatla Taluk Board through the Veterinary Director?"

The hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—"That offer will be considered when the opening of new dispensaries are contemplated."

Proposals for opening additional veterinary dispensaries.

* 146 Q.—Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) how many new Veterinary dispensaries are proposed to be started in the Presidency during the current year; how many in each district; and

(b) whether representations were made to the hon. Minister during his tour in the Guntur district about the difficulties arising from the absence of a dispensary for Bapatla taluk and what action he has taken or proposes to take thereon?

A.—(a) No new dispensaries are proposed to be opened during the current year.
(b) Yes. The claims of Bapatla taluk for a veterinary dispensary will be kept in view when proposals for opening new dispensaries in future are considered by Government. The places where the local bodies concerned are willing to meet the whole or a portion of the cost of maintenance of the institution will be given preference.

Education

Inauguration of a scheme of adult education.

* 147 Q.—Mr. C. Basu Dev: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state whether any and, if so, what definite steps were taken by the present Government, i.e., by the existing Ministers since the beginning of this Council to inaugurate a scheme of adult education?

A.—A detailed scheme has been submitted by the Director of Public Instruction, but no immediate action could be taken on it on account of financial stringency.